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Sir:

The fee required to be filed with the accompanying amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$0.00.

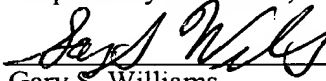
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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.115 & 1.142

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Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2003 for the above identified patent application. After entry of this amendment, the pending claims are claims 124-182.

Two-Month Extension - Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. This extension will extend the response due date to June 5, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee(s) to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 9797-0050-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

RESTRICTION ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group IV (claims 26-30). The Examiner characterized Group IV as "error detection/correction and fault detection/recovery." However, the Group IV claims (claims 26-30) are drawn to various aspects of operating Pulse Amplitude Modulated (PAM) devices and systems having multiple modes of operation ("multi-mode PAM" devices and systems) and methods of operation thereof. In contrast, the subject matter in Groups I, II, and III does not encompass

any aspect of multi-PAM systems. Newly added claims 124-182 all read on various aspects of multi-PAM systems. Thus, it is believed that the newly added claims are within the scope of Group IV.